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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUENOS AIRES 4996

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SUBJECT: ANTARCTIC TREATY: PROCEDURES FOR RECOGNITION OF  
CONSULTATIVE STATUS

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1. AFTER DISCUSSION OF MARINE LIVING RESOURCES ISSUE (SEPTTEL),  
COUNSELOR RICARDO QUADRI OF FOREIGN MINISTRY'S ANTARCTIC &  
MALVINAS DEPT. RAISED WITH US IN JULY 6 MEETING QUESTION OF  
PROCEDURES AND CURRENT STATE OF PLAY. IN COURSE OF  
DISCUSSION, IT BECAME APPARENT THAT HE WAS FULLY AWARE OF  
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U.S. PROPOSAL. QUADRI REVIEWED THE INITIAL U.K. PROPOSAL,  
WHICH WAS UNACCEPTABLE TO ARGENTINA WHICH FELT THAT MORE  
FORMAL PROCEDURES WERE NECESSARY. UNDER ARGENTINE PRO-  
POSAL, SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE WOULD DECIDE, BY REPRESENTA-  
TIVES OF GOVERNMENTS AS PLENIPOTENTIARIES, A RULE OF  
PROCEDURE FOR INCORPORATION, AFTER WHICH POLAND WOULD BE  
ADMITTED. DISCUSSIONS HAD BEEN HELD AMONG U.K.,

AUSTRALIA, ARGENTINA, AND SOUTH AFRICA, AND THE ARGENTINE DRAFT, WITH SOME AMENDMENTS, AGREED TO.

2. NEWS OF THE U.S.-PROPOSED PROCEDURE "CLOSE TO THE IDEA OF THE U.K." WAS SUBSEQUENTLY RECEIVED. QUADRI CHARACTERIZED TODAY'S LONDON MEETING (JULY 6) AS PITTING U.S. AGAINST ARGENTINE DRAFTS.

3. QUADRI STATED HIS HOPE THAT MORE UNDERSTANDING COULD BE REACHED (IN BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS) BETWEEN U.S. AND ARGENTINE DELS. HE THINKS THAT WE COINCIDE IN GENERAL TERMS IN DESIRES TO UPHOLD THE TREATY, REGULATE THIRD PARTIES, AND AVOID INTERNATIONALIZATION. QUADRI SUGGESTED THAT U.S.-ARGENTINA PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS BE HELD IN LONDON OUTSIDE OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS.

4. ARGENTINE AMBASSADOR TO YUGOSLAVIA BELTRAMINO WILL AGAIN HEAD THE ARG. DEL. TO THE JULY EXTENDED PREPARATORY. HE SHOULD ARRIVE IN LONDON JULY 21 OR 22, AND THIS COULD BE A TIME FOR BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS. MEANWHILE, ARGENTINE LONDON DCM CARLOS BLANCO (EX-DIRECTOR OF THE ANTARCTIC-MALVINAS DEPT.) IS IN CHARGE OF NEGOTIATIONS.

5. QUADRI MADE CLEAR THAT GOA DOES NOT ACCEPT U.S. PROPOSAL AND STILL BELIEVES THAT A MORE FORMAL PROCEDURE IS NECESSARY. INTER ALIA, ARGENTINA WANTS THE RIGHT TO CONFIDENTIAL

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INSPECT STATIONS OF ADHERENT STATES TO BE SURE THEY ARE DOING WHAT TREATY CALLS FOR. ALSO, AS NOW CONTAINED IN THE SNT, IT WANTS A PROCEDURE TO CHECK TO BE SURE SUCH STATES CONTINUE ACTIVE, OTHERWISE THEY SHOULD BE SUSPENDED.

6. IN SHORTER MEETING WITH DEPT. DIRECTOR GENERAL DE MARTINI AND QUADRI, ESSENCE OF ABOVE GOA POSITION WAS RECONFIRMED. WE MADE INITIAL AD REFERENDUM SOUNDINGS RE BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS, IN CASE DEPT. WISHES THEM. TIME SEEMED SHORT TO GOA FOR ANY EXCEPT IN LONDON PRIOR TO THE JULY EXTENDED PREPARATORY. AFTER THAT, GOA WOULD WELCOME CONSULTATIONS WITH USG IN BUENOS AIRES OR, IF JUST PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER CONSULTATIVE, IN WASHINGTON.

7. DE MARTINI AND QUADRI CONFIRMED PRESS REPORTS AND REFTEL F THAT CHILE AND ARGENTINA REPS HAD CONFERRED IN BUENOS AIRES BETWEEN JUNE 21 AND 29 ABOUT THE SUBJECTS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE UPCOMING MEETINGS. WE WERE UNABLE TO ELICIT VERY MUCH FROM THEM CONCERNING THE SUBSTANCE OF THE DISCUSSIONS OR ANY COMMON POSITIONS AGREED TO, HOWEVER.

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